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Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 – 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20544

Re:

Universal Service Support Certification

CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed for filing is the High Cost Universal Service Support Certification required in conjunction with CC Docket No. 96-45 executed by Acting Governor Ipulasi A. Sunia in his capacity as Acting Telecommunications Regulatory Commissioner for American Samoa.

As in prior years, it is unlikely that the original certification will arrive prior to the October 1<sup>st</sup> filing deadline due to American Samoa's remote location in the South Pacific and only two outgoing mail flights per week. Therefore, I am again kindly requesting that a facsimile copy of the certificate be accepted as compliance with timely filing subject to and pending receipt of the original certification which will be transmitted by priority mail.

Our Washington D.C. representative, Mrs. Jan Lipsen, is presenting the facsimile copy of the certification for filing. The original certification will also be directed to Mrs. Lipsen for subsequent delivery to you for recording.

A facsimile copy and duplicate original are being directed to Ms. Irene Flannery of Universal Service Administrative Company for filing.

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Your continued understanding in this matter is truly appreciated as well as your assistance.

Sincerely,

TOETASI FUE TUITELELEAPAGA

Chief Legal Counsel

Enclosure

cc: Irene Flannery, USAC

Aleki Sene, Executive Director, ASTCA Gwen Langkilde, Legal Counsel, ASTCA

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## TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY COMMISSIONER CERTIFICATION BY REGULATORY AUTHORITY

I, IPULASI A. SUNIA, hereby certify that I am the Acting Governor of American Samoa, and that I am authorized to execute this certification as the Acting Telecommunications Regulatory Commissioner of the Territory of American Samoa.

Furthermore, with reference to CC Docket no. 96-45, I hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, that all federal high cost support received by the American Samoa Telecommunications Authority (Study Area Code 673900) will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and updating of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 254(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

IPULASI A. SUNIA Acting Governor

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 28 day of September, 2005.

Notary Public

My commission expires: \23\06

Notary Public